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TOPIC Schoenwalde Airfield

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED Information

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1. On 21 January 1951, about 20 to 30 single-engine, ground attack aircraft, covered with tarpaulins, were parked in front of the hangars at the Schoenwalde (N 53/3 66) airfield. Additional ground attack planes were possibly parked in the hangars. Twin-engine aircraft with double-rudder assemblies, which were seen flying over the field in the preceding week, were probably still stationed at the field, although they were not seen. There was no flying all day long. (1)

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2. No changes were observed in the radio installation with four masts. (2) The seven dipoles were missing on the radio truck west of the field. (3) Some rods, which were possibly detached for cleaning purposes, were leaning against the side of the radio truck. The AA gun emplacement was occupied and the guns were covered with tarpaulins. Truck [ ] was parked at the entrance to the field.

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3. Between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. on 22 January, a group of ten and another group of sixteen grey-green, single-engine, low-wing monoplanes with in-line engines were parked on the landing field. (1) There was no flying. The temporary buildings were fully occupied by 1,000 to 1,200 men. The barracks buildings along the road were occupied by soldiers wearing red-bordered, black epaulets and the other buildings were occupied by air force soldiers.

4. An AA gun emplacement of four light guns covered with tarpaulins was in the western section of the field. The underground bunkers near the AA gun emplacement were occupied. An overhead line led from the AA gun emplacement toward the northwest beyond the Schoenwalde-Doetzow (N 53/3 66) highway to a radio truck approximately 180 meters away. There was a mast on the truck with a cross-rod approximately 3 meters long. On the cross-rod were seven dipoles. An antenna fitted on one end of the cross-rod led into the radio truck. (3)

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5. A radio installation with four masts was located in the open field approximately 120 meters southeast of the windmill. The wooden

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hut in the middle- approximately 1.5 meters wide and 2 meters high, had a rod antenna, about 2 meters long, on its roof. The four rigid metal masts, approximately 7 meters high and 5 meters apart, were 3 meters from the four corners of the wooden mast. A wire ran from each mast to the rod antenna. (2)

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6. Soldiers wearing red-bordered, black epaulets practiced firing with carbines at a field target on the firing range north of the field. Another firing range was under construction northwest of the field.

7. Trucks [redacted] passenger car [redacted] and jeep [redacted] entered and left the field. (4)

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Comments.

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- (1) The number and type of aircraft indicate that the airfield is still occupied by a ground attack regiment. [redacted] an air reconnaissance regiment is also stationed there, whose aircraft were apparently parked in the hangars on the two days of observation. This explains why a comparatively large number of the ground attack regiment aircraft were parked outside the hangars.
- (2) The presence of the radio installation, probably an Adcock DF, was previously reported and is confirmed [redacted] in paragraph 5 of the present report. [redacted] The information that antennae led from the mastheads to the hut is considered unlikely.
- (3) The utilization of this set, probably a radar set, has not been determined. The information in paragraph 4 indicates that the set possibly belongs to the AAA unit.

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